

COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
STATE OF COLORADO

PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF AN INTEREST IN SHOSHONE WATER RIGHTS FOR
INSTREAM FLOW USE ON THE COLORADO RIVER, WATER DIVISION 5

NOTICE OF PARTY STATUS OF THE EAGLE RIVER WATER AND SANITATION
DISTRICT AND UPPER EAGLE REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY

The Eagle River Water & Sanitation District and Upper Eagle Regional Water Authority, by and through undersigned counsel, submit this Notice of Party Status in the matter of Proposed Acquisition of an Interest in Shoshone Water Rights for Instream Flow Use on the Colorado River, Water Division 5, before the Colorado Water Conservation Board.

1. Name/address: Eagle River Water & Sanitation District (the “District”)
Upper Eagle Regional Water Authority (the “Authority”)
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Please direct all communications and filings to Water Counsel for the District and Authority:

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2. Brief statement of the reasons the District and Authority desire party status:

Collectively, the District and Authority serve approximately 60,000 customers as municipal water providers in Eagle County, Colorado. The District and Authority operate in the headwaters of the Upper Colorado River, relying on both surface and groundwater from the Eagle River and Gore Creek. The District and Authority are signatories to the Colorado River

Cooperative Agreement, which supports the Shoshone acquisition, and have made a financial commitment dedicated to the proposed purchase of the Shoshone water rights.

Keeping water flowing in the Colorado River is not just good stewardship; it helps municipal water and wastewater providers operate efficiently and responsibly for their customers. Shoshone flows help dilute salinity and sediment in the Colorado River, improving water quality for downstream communities. Furthermore, low flows often result in higher water temperatures, forcing wastewater utilities to invest millions to cool their effluent in order to meet water quality permit requirements.

For these reasons, the District and Authority have a substantial interest in the proposed acquisition and hereby submit this Notice of Party Status in the above-captioned matter.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of July, 2025.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I do hereby certify that on this 9th day of July, 2025, a true and exact copy of the foregoing Notice of Party Status was sent to the Colorado Water Conservation Board as follows:

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